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Pennsylvania Egg Production Up 4 Percent in August

HARRISBURG, PA – September 23, 2011 - - Egg production in Pennsylvania during August 2011 totaled 615 million eggs, up 4 percent from the 594 million eggs produced in August 2010, according to the Pennsylvania Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. The total number of layers averaged 25.3 million during August, a 4 percent increase from last year. Production per 100 layers was 2,435 eggs during the month, a decrease of 10 eggs overall from August 2010. Broiler-type chicks hatched in Pennsylvania totaled 14.3 million during August 2011, a 5 percent increase from the number hatched in the same month a year earlier.

U.S. egg production totaled 7.74 billion during August 2011, down slightly from last year. Production included 6.67 billion table eggs, and 1.07 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.00 billion were broiler-type and 68 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during August 2011 averaged 336 million, down 1 percent from last year. August egg production per 100 layers was 2,301 eggs, up 1 percent from August 2010.

Egg-type chicks hatched during August 2011 totaled 41.6 million, up 12 percent from August 2010. Broiler-type chicks hatched during August 2011 totaled 761 million, down 5 percent from August 2010. There were 23.7 million net poults placed during August 2011 in the United States, up 3 percent from the number placed during the same month a year earlier.

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